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SUBJECT: MERCHANT MARINE PROTECTION AND DEVELOPMENT BILL

REF: (A) CARACAS 2845; (B) CARACAS 2915, APRIL 18, 1972

AND PREVIOUS

1. PARA. 3 REFTEL (A) INDICATES GOV MOVING FORWARD ON
PROPOSED CARGO RESERVATION DECREE.

2. DEPARTMENT INFORMED BY TOLEDO PORT AUTHORITY ITS MAJOR
SHIPPERS, I. E. INTERNATIONAL HARVESTER AND CHRYSLER HAVE
BEEN APPRISED BY THEIR VENEZUELAN REPRESENTATIVES OF
NECESSITY TO SHIP VENEZUELAN FLAG SINCE LAW WILL BE
EFFECTIVE SHORTLY. TOLEDO PA HAS IMMEDIATE CONCERN THAT
PROJECTED LAW BEING INTERPRETED AS REQUIRING DIVERSION
OF CARGO AWAY FROM TOLEDO TO PORTS SERVED BY VENEZUELAN
FLAG VESSELS, E. G. BALTIMORE OR GULF PORTS. IF THIS
INTERPRETATION CORRECT DISTORTION OF TRADE PATTERNS WILL
RESULT HIGHER SHIPPING COSTS FOR SHIPPER AND WILL HAVE
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NEGATIVE EFFECT ON GREAT LAKES TRADE THROUGH ST. LAWRENCE
SEAWAY. DEPARTMENT CONCERNED CARGO RESERVATION ASPECT AND
ADVERSE EFFECTS THEREOF ON OUR MARITIME AND TRADE
INTERESTS.

3. DEPARTMENT WOULD APPRECIATE EMBASSY FORWARDING COPY OF
CURRENT PROPOSED LAW, WHICH WE UNDERSTAND WAS SENT TO
VENEZUELAN PRESIDENT BY SENATE ADMINISTRATION AND SERVICES
COMMITTEE ON APRIL 12, 1973, AND TELEGRAPHIC EVALUATION
OF PERTINENT PROVISIONS OF PROPOSED DECREE AND APPROXIMATE
EXPECTED DATE OF IMPLEMENTATION IF KNOWN. RUSH

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